

# May 2019 Newsletter

Dear Parents,

#### **Annual Fair**

Thank you to the many families who came to the Annual Fair this year. This is the first year that I needed to leave half way through, but it was nice to go to my granddaughter's first communion knowing that the school was in good hands. Thank you. There were many people who made the fair a huge success, and I would like to thank our dedicated helpers: Sarah Allegretti and Yu lu Ma brought in most of the Silent Auction items with the help of Soumya and Swentha Vanga. The teachers did a beautiful job with the children making their silent auction items. Our Parent Representative, Nicole Hammerschlag and son, Ethan worked hard on selling our raffle tickets and calling out the names for our raffle winners.

Andrea and Chris Rossick kept the ticket sales and bracelet table on a roll. Paul Roeber and Kevin Holmes drove the train with ease. Thank you to the many volunteers who helped with our baked sale, pizza, plant, games and silent auction tables – they were Rachel La Butti, Yu Lu Ma, Kristin Masefield, Sarah Allegretti, Rebecca De Blois, Aman Gill, Jessica Mucciarone, Sandhya Jain, Farida Ghadyali, Alka Pai, Vera Holmes,



Sue Roecker & her daughter, Karin (who was one of my Montessori students many years ago). In addition, we were so lucky to have 3 volunteers from Franklin High School – Brady Duncan, Jacob DiMarzio, and Max. The rain held off and everyone had fun.

Thank you again.





# Mother's Day Tea

Mother's Day Teas are planned for this week. The children and teachers have been very busy making everything for mom so nice. Classroom A's tea is on Thursday @ 11:00 and Classroom's B tea is on Friday @ 11:00. All Sunrise's moms are invited. If mom cannot come, you are welcome to have another special person come in your place. We are looking forward to seeing everyone for Mother's Day Tea.

Father's Day Breakfast – You can't have a Mother's Day tea without a Father's Day Breakfast! Classroom B's breakfast is on Friday, June 7, @ 9:00 and Classroom A's is on Monday, June 10 at 8:30. All dads are welcome to come whether your child attends school on a Monday or Friday. Please bring your child along with you.

# **Other Upcoming Events & News**

# **Jan Brett Night**

Our last Jan Brett Night is Friday, May 17 from 6:00 until 7:30 pm. The cost per child is \$18.00. A fun evening is planned with decorating cookies, making a lighthouse, and so much more. Books by Jan Brett that will be read include: Hedgie's Surprise, Fritz and the Beautiful Horses, Comet's Nine Lives, and Daisy Comes Home. Our Jan Brett events have been so much fun.

# Ward's Berry Farm

The Family Outing is on Saturday, May 25 @ 1:30 in Sharon, MA. Siblings are charged \$11.50, but the entrance fee for Sunrise children has been paid for by the annual activity fee. Infants are admitted at no charge and chaperones who are not participating in planting seeds on the hay ride can ride at no charge. This event is held rain or shine – so let's hope for sunshine!

### Weather

As the weather gets dryer and warmer, the children will have more outside playtime. Please feel free to apply sunscreen before coming to school as it saves us time. If your child attends school all day, send in sunscreen lotion for them so it can be reapplied. The insects and bugs will also return to our playground, so consider applying or sending in bug sprays. Label all products with your child's name.

# **Summer Program**

All applications were due by April 27th, however, we still have quite a few empty spaces. If you want to sign up, please do so at your earliest convenience. Our summer program is offering: – Summer Cooking with Ms. Sandhya, Traveling "Around the World" with the storyteller Dianne Edgecomb, Discovering Physical Science – "What Matters" and a visit from Easton Children's Center, Art Appreciation Week, Gardening, Montessori Concepts.

Ms. Andrea has planned exciting programs for your children. Applications are still available in the lobby of our school, but we need to establish a final head-count soon. Enrollment in the summer programs is flexible - sign up for 1 week or several. Participants do not need to be enrolled in our academic year programs, so please help spread the word to neighbors, friends, etc...

#### **Community Garden**

Sunrise manages bed #23 and soon we will be planting our vegetables and herbs in the garden. The bed has new top soil, and we are hoping for a good growing year. At this time, we have herbs, snow peas, cucumbers, and squash growing stronger each day to be transported to our garden bed. On Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> @ 12:30, those who can, meet me at the garden to plant our crops into our garden bed. Our garden is located on King Street @ King Street Memorial Park. This is a beautiful location for families. Not only are there gardens, but a tennis court, a track, baseball field, playground and so much more. In June, we will have our garden watering list out in our school's lobby for families to water the garden throughout the summer. All our vegetables are donated to the Franklin Food Pantry. Thank you for your help.

#### **Last Day of School**

It is hard to believe that our last day of school is coming. It is on Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. Our Sunrise Ceremony will be held in the court yard of Moseley Mills. Following the ceremony our Teddy Bear Picnic takes place in the playground. Please bring a picnic lunch, blanket or lawn chairs and your child's favorite teddy bear for the picnic. Invitations will be going out soon with details on this end of school event.

Wishing you a happy spring,

Sincerely, Karen M. Roeber



NEW! We're participating in the Big Y Giving Tag Program! Purchase a \$2.50 reusable Community Bag at any Big Y store and follow the directions on the attached Giving Tag to direct a \$1

donation to Sunrise Montessori School, Inc.

This program is designed to make it easy for shoppers to give back to their local community while supporting the environment.

Each time a shopper purchases the Community Bag with the Giving Tag, they will have the power to direct a \$1 donation to a local non-profit of their choice within 7 days of their purchase.

Sunrise participates in the Amazon Smile program.
Go to www.smile.amazon.com
and sign in as you normally do on
your desktop or mobile phone browser.
Help us earn a percentage of qualifying purchases.

Don't forget to recycle your used ink and toner cartirdges with us. See the drop off box in the school's entranceway.

# **Keeping in touch**

If you have any questions or comments, please know that you can reach us via email. As the teachers are working with the children during the day, please note that a reply to your question may come after the afternoon dismissal or later. If your message is urgent and you need to reach someone right away, please call the school at 508-541-8010.

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# **Website and Facebook**

Throughout the year the school uses its website and Facebook page to inform parents of current events and to post pictures from recent events. Please take a look at <a href="https://www.MySunriseMontessori.com">www.MySunriseMontessori.com</a>

Be sure to check out our "Digital Backpack". This page can be found in the pulldown menu of the "Current Events" tab. Click on any of the hyperlinks to view the selected form or information page as a PDF.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Please note that all current events, news and the academic year calendar are also found on the school's website: www.MySunriseMontessori.com

May 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> - Mother's Day Teas

May 17<sup>th</sup> - Jan Brett Evening

May 25<sup>th</sup> - Ward's Berry Farm

May 27<sup>th</sup> - Memorial Day holiday - No school, no Extended Day Program

June 7<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> - Father's Day Breakfasts

June 13<sup>th</sup> - Last Day of School & Teddy Bear Picnic

June 24<sup>th</sup> - Summer Program begins